

S 4676

Alice Cogswell and Anne Sullivan Macy Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 3, 2026

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 HR 9195	Identical bill	Jun 8, 2026: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce.
119 HR 9196	Related bill	Jun 8, 2026: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Workforce.
119 HR 5748	Cross-Congress related bill	Sep 27, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.
119 S 2945	Cross-Congress related bill	Sep 27, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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This bill expands special education and related services for children and youth who are deaf, hard of hearing, deafdisabled, blind, visually impaired, or deafblind.

For example, the bill requires states to more specifically identify and evaluate children who are deaf, hard of hearing, deafdisabled, blind, visually impaired, or deafblind to better allow for the provision of appropriate services.

In addition, a state's closure of a specialized school serving children who are blind or deaf shall result in a reduction of its financial support for special education and related services.

The bill also authorizes support, including grants for training special education personnel, to prepare individuals to become qualified teachers and early intervention specialists for children who are deaf, hard of hearing, deafdisabled, blind, visually impaired, or deafblind.

Finally, the bill establishes within the Department of Education the Anne Sullivan Macy Center on Visual Disability and Educational Excellence to better support students with visual disabilities receiving special education and related services.

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